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THE OVERSTUFFED PIGLIMM is
This is the editor's column, which
generally hits just about everything
on my mind, and it appeared all over
the 'zine in various places.

MUSICAL COMMENTARY ALONE HEADING

We Sold Our Souls For Rock & Roll was
of course an album put out by the
group Black Sabbath. It was sort of
a greatest hits album, which for me
is cheating, but I have the parts
that go into it too, so who cares?
Black Sabbath itself deserves some
discussion, for me if not for you.

Black Sabbath consisted of Ozzy
Osbourne on vocals, Bill Ward on
drums, Tony Iommi on guitar, and
Geezer Butler on bass. The Lord
High Ministers of all that is minis-
ter. Black Sabbath was a British
foursome who slugged their way to
the top brandishing a deafening style
of rock would reestablish the role
of volume in popular music and help
give birth to a new musical label:
heavy metal. The Sabbath crew firin

gualled as Earth in Birmingham, Eng-
land. By 1969 their name had been
changed to Black Sabbath and their
stage act became firmly entrenched
in Hammering mysticism. Their first
album really revolted critics who
saw them as one cut above terminal
illness.

While critics writhed on their
typewriters, producing some of the
worst reviews ever, the public
locked to the ever-touring brigade
like moths to a flame. Vocalist Oz-
zie Osbourne took great delight in
outraging the public and the Sabbath
fans enjoyed the insults. Sabbath's
HORROR and HORROR OF HORROR saw
them enter supergroup status. The
band's business interests, however,
nearly wrecked their career. A tiff
with a manager brought total ceas-
ation to Black Sabbath activities fol-
lowing the enormously successful
Sabbath Bloody Sabbath. The band
made their way back to the studio
some two years later for Sabotage,
but by that time many of Sabbath's
old fans had moved on to newer and
more current rock items. In 1977,
Sabbath faded from the rock and roll
scene...a victim of changing times.
(These things seem to be getting
longer and longer, don't they?)

WHY IS THIS ISSUE HERE SO EARLY?

Remember when I told you on Page
11 or 12 of last issue all of the
stuff I had on file? Well, it turns
out that on March 6-8 I'll either
be in Washington D.C. or, on the 7th,
in court! So, I didn't see myself
as having the time to put out a big
double issue then, so am killing some
of the back log with this issue.

EGGNOG POLITICAL VIEWS ONCE AND FOR ALL

It has always been EGGNOG's policy to stay away from politics, and, indeed, from politics articles in other 'zines as well, since I think that most of the people writing them ought to have their heads examined. They are almost all thinking only of the position of the United States, and never of anything else. But enough of that...there is a letter in another 'zine which I submitted as a joke and was taken semi-seriously! Don't tell the pubber (just let him go ahead and think it!), but this article and this one alone contains my opinion on the Iran and Afghan crises. I don't want anyone reprinting it anywhere and will not print any letters commenting on it in the future. I don't think I'll use EGGNOG as a platform like this again, and that's it. I happen to think that politics don't go into such a 'zine.

This article was written in late January, but was forced out of last issue because of lack of space. It is thus only discussing the situations at that time, i.e. makes no mention of the possibility of a withdrawal from Afghanistan and is hardly optimistic about the hostage situation.

Actually, in Afghanistan, there's nothing going on in there that has not been happening there, and around the world, for years. Two years ago in the page 36 news of your newspaper, Afghanistan was pretty much taken over by a puppet government answerable to Moscow and the communists. Nobody noticed, or even cared, but Russia had control from that point onwards. Now that the situation got of control of one despot, the Russians are in there, restoring what to them is order. If religious fanatics were attempting to gain control of the United States violently, what do you think we'd do about it? Throw flowers at them? Add that to the fact that the Communist society is an atheistic one, and what do you have? While it's not the most humanitarian thing in the world, the Soviet Union will hardly sit idly by while watching its subject ally Afghanistan slide into oblivion -- they'll go in there and

(Yes, your buddy finally sat down and wrote out this trash! Go ahead and read it now that you've come this far and have read everything!) -----

restore their kind of order, of course. The United States might never stick by their allies (you name one or two that we've stuck up for (instead of just stuck) in the last few years when they needed our help, OK?), but it must be said that Soviet Russia does make sure that nothing gets out of control. In Czechoslovakia and Hungary, for instance; when they were having problems internally the USSR had no trouble at all deciding to go in and help the government, because that government was licking boots made in Moscow. We would just let any country fall, in the name of letting the people decide what's best for them! (And it can be proven inmost instances that few people really do know what is best for their country.) So the USSR is just sticking up for their government in Kabul. It would do the same for any of its other allies. (What happens to its enemies is something else again.)

It seems to me that this is a bit of overreacting we are currently seeing in the White House. After all, when things went down in Cambodia, South Yemen, Angola, etc (not to mention Afghanistan of two years ago) nobody said a word -- or actually Carter and the press never said a word. (I said plenty.) Hardly a mention. Now, with all of the recent successes around the globe, the Soviet Union was getting fairly confident that anything they did would meet indifference and total inaction on the part of the peanut-head in Washington, and in pursuing the so-far accepted policy they move into Afghanistan to rearrange the same political apparatus which nobody ejected to installing years ago. Now the President, coincidentally (if you believe that maybe I could interest you in a plot of land I have in Florida...) in an election year,

decided that he's going to get tough with the Soviet Union. So what does Carter do, with his eyes on the horizon? I suppose that it should be mentioned that this is basically a tactic meant for political purposes. That nobody outside of the United States is buying his claim that they're holding hands, from what they know we have in our country.)

The truth is, the Soviets are moving to Russia. On the surface, this looks good. My own country, as well as other Capitalist nations, I would think, very few countries will agree with this. Personally, I believe that the Soviet control of Afghanistan is bad. It's not even clear to you that the USSR, in a lot closer to the free world than the United States are, there's why. If they fail, not only will their economies be bent out of shape (which won't get much worse), so we can go ahead with the plan), they are also a threat to the Soviet power we're all supposed to be. And remember how we turned Argentina and Paraguay against Bolivia on one from the Chilean front and then the two Argentinian powers became one of the world's largest drug-exporting countries. If I were in Argentina, I would reproduce just to screw up the USA, but the USA probably wouldn't be able to figure out what we won't do next to them too. Stupid, stupid what Carter is doing can go around screwing all of our allies but when we made their cooperation we expect it. Hell, Russia won't even notice the change.

Next we declare the Persian Gulf in the United States sphere of influence. Naturally it's important to do, but saying that the Persian Gulf belongs to us before anyone else is absurd. When the nations in the region fell into control by the Soviet Union they'll come to us anyway. On the other hand, if we tell them that they are all responsible to us to begin with, that won't make them too happy. And we don't have many friends there to begin with. Imagine: If the United States were to send troops into Mexico or Guatemala, what would we think if Russia declared the entire Gulf of Mexico to be in their sphere of influence? Foolish, right? And Afghanistan is right in the Soviet backyard; we didn't seem to care when the USSR acted in Africa or Asia, did we? We didn't de-

clare anything else to be in our sphere of influence, even though the Vietnam arm used to be only a few years ago. Now we will help anybody who asks for guns by giving them guns. Fine enough. But which was the United States which Action, the other countries helped us? I think it's silly. Carter might believe that most of us Olympic players through no gains except simply without being me today (at least we can give a few people cameras).

Then there's the Olympics. Quite aside from whether or not it's proper or not for the games to play a part in international politics, it's foolish for the United States to boycott them, for one very basic reason: hardly any other countries will join us. Just wait and see. If we alone withdraw from the Games, we would be left back as a friendly power (which is what we are, but an idea of that). If we can't convince the rest of the free world to go out with us, and we can't, then the gamble is already lost.

To go to war over Afghanistan is also foolish. If Carter is re-elected we'll do about go to war over something or other which could easily have been avoided if he had had his own way during his first term. A wiser policy in 1977 and 1978 would have avoided the Afghan situation now. That much is obvious. As much time must pass on our beloved President as on the Kremlin. He got overly excited now is foolish, the observer could see it coming a long time ago. But to overreact or not react at all is the American way. And what can be done?

As for Iran, I'll have to cut this short since I've spent enough space on this article already. The principles opposing the Ayatollah in Iran (and his regime, once he is gone) are the Communists! Any direct action against Iran would simply make the Com-

munist the strongest force in Iran, which seems stupid, to say the least. Things could have been done in the early days of the crisis, but Carter didn't have the brains to implement them then. It would, for instance, be nice to say that the CIA knew the names of at least the heads of the "students" -- this would scare the living shit out of them. But one of Carter's big early programs was to screw the CIA, and now we hang by our own rope. Also, any economic sanctions would not have much effect on Iran -- after all, they suffered over there for a long time under deprived conditions, and I will assume for now that they have the will to do so for a little while longer.

One hope is that the Ayatollah will soon die; he isn't a well man anymore (whether he ever was is arguable), and is an old man. Any attempt on his life by the MEA or similar organization would not help at all, either; Khomeini would simply become the martyr to the cause, which would make the problem worse than it was before. At least now the Ayatollah hates both the United States and Russia; if the Communists, the full channel of Persian hate would be towards us, and the Russians would be in control of the oil fields. (Nuking the whole area might be fun, but the Soviets are too close to the area to go along with it, and Carter is afraid to scare Russia too much).

What can be done? Carter has broken down all methods of retaliation (especially the MEA) already, and a military act would only hurt us. Besides, do you believe that Russia will tolerate an American military presence on its own borders, which also means that we are in a position to cut their oil? No way.

We can only hope that Carter screws Kennedy all to hell in the primaries (or, better yet, that the Kennedy "curse" repeats itself and someone knocks Ted off), as even Carter's better than that Kennedy idiot ("The Shah was a cruelest") -- evidently supporting the Ayatollah! -- and that anybody, likely Bush but Reagan would also be OK, wipes Carter out in November. At least we might be able to kill off the extra 10% inflation Carter gave us in a few years.

(You might assume that I am unsatisfied with the job the Democrats have been doing

in Washington. That's right, I would rather have a Nixon in the White House right now, who was a (allegedly -- let's not go into that) "criminal" than Carter, who is a certifiable idiot when it comes to foreign policy, history, and -- my god! -- the economy. At least Nixon made us some friends in the Far East -- Carter and Company have done a great job of screwing our friends and encouraging our enemies. A vote for him is a vote for Brezhnev.) Enough said, don't you think? I'd love to have some feedback on this, but will not print any of it. I'm already tired of the whole depressing topic.

1979L WRAPUP & ANALYSIS

First a few words by our commentator of the very early part of the game, John Boyer ('member him?). He said, right after the game began, that he would predict the outcome. Disregard the "computer" bit; he's joking.

JHON BOYER (February 17, 1979): By computer analysis, I hereby officially predict the following outcome of STRANGE BREW's first Demonstration Game, being analyzed by myself, John Boyer of Carlisle, PA: A three-way draw between England, Germany, and Turkey.

KONRAD'S COMMENTS: Obviously he was banking on the friendship of Germany (schutz) and England (Kandter) for this outcome -- though he appears to have guessed wrong, in that it ended in a four-way English-French-Russian-Italian draw after Germany resigned.

1979L CLOSING COMMENTS

By Eric Verheiden, Analyst

This game went on a bit too long, I believe, the outcome was clear some seasons back and only wishful thinking kept the draw vote from passing earlier.

The game began with three rather independent battles shaping

up: Austria vs. Italy, Turkey vs. Russia, and England and Germany vs. France. Though initially Italy, Russia and France found themselves aligned on the defensive, all three nations had wills of their own to prove their worth as independent sovereigns. The result of a long and difficult war.

The Turkish offensive was disrupted by some very effective actions (Russia lost 20 ships but gained the Black Sea at the end of 1901) and a total diplomatic failure by Turkey. Russia compensated for her difficulties with another victory in the Balkans. France and, with no desire to interfere, became the neutral observer to a grueling battle. However, though neutral, France broke the stalemate line between Austria and Italy and to the strategic gateway of both Austria and Turkey.

Italy's plan was to build fleets to push further eastward, while Russia proceeded with a massive navy build-up which eventually dominated western Russia, but failed to obtain a crucial winning margin. Russia pushed westward against Germany, however, an already slow attack on France and maintaining a break-through in the west. It was here that the two switched sides to France and quickly built up a western fleet. France responded in no small measure by preventing Italian reinforcements, though a move would have paid off very slowly and would more likely have encouraged an Italian breakthrough into the Mediterranean easily on and left eastern gains even more vulnerable to the Russian navy commander of Fred Hyatt. As it was, France survived and repaid the favor by an effort, demanding the Italian fleet while England and Russia created his own maritime stalemate against the Russians. This was made somewhat easier with only a minute Russian fleet to contest the Mediterranean. Dave Bunkie's choice with France was made somewhat easier of course, by a heavy (early) build-up of English fleets and a remote but still possible threat of Russian victory. Sometimes it is better to take a draw and not push your luck.

Congratulations to all the surviving players. I think all played quite well.

I remain perplexed by Hyatt's predilection for armies, but as a gamble for breakthrough and victory in the west, perhaps it makes more sense than otherline weapons.

MORE KONRAPP'S COMMENTS: Thanks for the last game to Eric for his excellent analysis for this Demonstration Game! He did a great job almost from the very beginning, and gets a complimentary sub to ROUNDS for alone this. If there's ever anything I can do for you, Eric, just drop me a line!

His run through the game was quite good, and I didn't have to fill in any holes. One thing I'd like to mention was that there were several cases of Fred sending in fleets or orders where he really fleets and then immediately changing them out and giving new orders. However, I have no idea why he would want to only build armies except now. In an earlier AUG-900 game in which Fred was a participant, 1978NY, Karl Schmitz's Russia won in 1936 or 1937 with a full 18 centers even after building only armies from year one. Perhaps Fred wanted to try to see what sort of effect it would work. In this case, however, it failed because the opposition caught on pretty soon after Fred began to make some big moves. Just how the wind was blowing.

I'd like to thank all of the players for participating in this game; we didn't need a replacement player! It was exciting most of the way (except toward the end there).

I have no plans to start another Demonstration Game with Imperial Analysis -- just not enough time to run one, and not enough room in the file to have it run! Sorry, but... in any case, congratulations to all of the players involved. You all did a great job. Island, Fred, and Dave all came back from seemingly lousy positions, and Lee gave a good demonstration of just when to get rid of one ally and get another; timing's the name of the game, sometimes.

I guess that I'm almost at the bottom of the page. What I do to fill it up with remains to be seen, as even I don't know what to do.

1979L END-GAME STATISTICS AND SUPPLY CENTER CHART (LEE KENDTER TAKE NOTE!)

Game: 1979L. Zine: STRANGE BREW. (Played February 12, 1979, to February 7, 1980 for six and a half game years.) Gamemaster: Konrad H. Baumeister. Austria: Steve McLinden (out F'05). England: Lee Kendter Sr (drew S'07). France: Dave Bunke (drew S'07). Germany: Karl Schuetz (res F'04), Civil Disorder (out F'05). Italy: Leland Harmon (drew S'07). Russia: Fred G. Hyatt (drew S'07). Turkey: Jerry Jones (out F'04). Analyst (well, why not?): John Boyer (drop F'02), Eric P. Verheiden, Jr.

	01	02	03	04	05	06
Austria	5	5	2	1	-	
England	4	5	5	7	8	9
France	4	5	5	5	6	6
Germany	5	5	6	2	-	
Italy	4	5	6	7	6	4
Russia	5	6	8	12*	14	15*
Turkey	5	3	2	-		

From STRANGE BREW #27, the last moves of this Demonstration Game, on which so much time, space, and money has been wasted:

1979L -- Winter 1906/Spring 1907

ENGLAND(Kendter Sr): Bid A Lon, A Nwy-StP, F Bar & F Rot & A Blt S A Nwy-StP, A Den S A Kie, A Kie S FRENCH A Mun, A Lon-Hol, F Nth C A Lon-Hol, F Swe-Bal

FRANCE(Bunke): A Mun H, A Ruh & A Bur S A Mun, A Gas S A Bur, F Mid H, E Spa(so) Holds (Really ambitious, not?)

ITALY(Harmon): A Viz R Bob/n/, Rem A Syr, F Eas-Aeg, F Ion S F Eas-Aeg, A Viz S A Tyl, A Tyl S FRENCH A Mun-Bob/nso/

RUSSIA(Hyatt): A Mun R Bob/n/, Bid A Sev & A War, A StP H/n/, F Ber H, A Mos & A Lvn S A StP, A Sil S F Bar, A Viz-Tyl, A Sev-Arm, A Bud-Viz, A Tri S A Viz-Tyl, A Say S A Sev-Arm, F Aeg S A Say/d/, A Ser-Gra, A Bul-Con, A War-Pru

THESE DEMONSTRATION GAMES TEND TO GO ON FOR A WHILE BUT THIS ONE LASTED LESS THAN A FULL YEAR
LETTERCOLUMN AGAIN!

From Fred Davis: Rec'd a photocopy of some lunatic ravings from Curtis Gibach, mostly directed against you, and warning me of eternal damnation if I don't see things his way. As it was microscopic in size and obviously not written in any form of English known to me, I threw it away unread.

Thanks, Fred. As you know, you also figure prominently into the Gibson affair, or at least Gibby thinks so. He seems to remember you're correcting the problem in that Small World game when it comes to sending others his anti-Davis hate mail, but forgets when it's pointed out to him in the latter columns of 'zines like The Voice of Doom. A sad case, really. I suppose that it would probably be best for all to just ignore this bizarre cross-game enemy and hate-mail distributor; if anyone gets any, my advice is to toss it into the circular file.

From Scott Marley: I'm glad you filled the German game -- will it be carried in EGGNOD? If not, I'd like to receive

it; mein Deutsch ist nicht so gut, aber I like to keep in practice whenever I can.

(It will be carried in EGGNOD; you'll see Spring 1901 next issue. As for the part which you would let me print, let me say that I agree with you entirely; you know it and I know it, but how many others do?)

From Mike Mills: I do believe that this is the first time that I've actually sat down and written you a letter, isn't it? (Second.) Well, anyway I want you to know that one reason I enjoy EGGNOD is the featured album of the month. From your musical taste I suspect you are older than 21 years old, or a very smart youngster.

It was a long time since I heard the old chicka-chicka-what on the Mayell album. As a matter of fact, I didn't remember I had it, until I searched through the whole stack. Thanks for calling it to my attention.

One thing though, your feature of Flowers of Evil for Mountain? (continued Page 7)

Lettercolumn Cont'd.
Nilsson's

Nillsson's, I believe, which I all
have and isn't half bad. (Nillsson
an eccentric's eccentric. Personal
and hasn't been recording for a while
not since ANNILLSSON, methinks.
wouldn't mind seeing something
him... fresh.)

OVERSTUFFED RECLINER (From p. 1)
Instead of putting out
when I want.

... (from P. 1)
then I won't be home (kind of dig-
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right here in this

lines. BOONOG #43, which will be sent out on schedule (i.e. dead-line, as usual) will be a "normal" sized issue again. (Even I no longer know what "normal" means. Once upon a time BOONOG issues were averaging ten pages, but until today I've never had an issue with less than twelve, if it wasn't double-sided. I guess that "normal" should read ten "valves". That means that I've lost over some filler and articles. How about that? Too much stuff filling up! Hardly keep it up. Without assistance from reading material from our readers, we'll all go in a few months time, and as the summer comes on, our drive once said, "YAH - bald as good as your last record." I know that someday we'll be gone." Keep it coming in! Actually, it's all self-explanatory, really. I don't know why I have to make things so complicated. When I want to do something, I'll do it! Here's your damned letter, and expect another one after the next deadline! That easy!

THE MAILS AND MY TIME (OR LACK OF THAT) AND ITS EFFECT UPON YOU ALL)

Seems that every day brings me more mail than yesterday. I have about twenty things which come before Diplomacy in terms of importance for me, some of which take a lot of time indeed. While I do end up filing half of my mail (a lot of it is just moves for various names coming due here or there), some of the stuff demands an answer. I do the best I can, but can only set aside one hour or sometimes two for Diplomacy every night -- more time I have not, even though I'm now working at the First Wisconsin Bank these days and have a little bit more time (and money) to do such stuff. One person got pretty pissed off at me for putting off the answering of his letter two weeks (which is not uncommon alas)! So if you do get something from me relatively soon after you first sent me a letter, count yourself lucky.

Overstuffed Recliner Cont'd.

Lots of people just put some notes on the bottom of their READING LIST. I don't think anyone does it's trying to be a good sport, but it's really just a waste of time. You can't do much reading if you have to constantly stop and start. If you're going to do it, just do it all at once. It's better to have a few hours of reading time than a dozen short ones.

LAST COMMENCEMENT PAYOFFS

BEN SCHILLING (Italy) -- For your information (and that of my son who doesn't know what he's doing), here are the top five in the last year or so. The new players are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. (1) POLITICAL, 17, from Italy (and 2) POLITICAL, 14, from Italy. Of course when the tournament started to go up a lot, I realized that most Italian players had won't be on our games.

SPECIAL FEATURE (FOR WINNING GAMES)

The Youngstown Variant goes for the POLITICIAN game just wait underway, and instead of writing more stories to inform the players especially (many of which get READING LIST) I thought I would just write one line in the pages of this NEWS, which doesn't run any variants, for POLITICIAN, which doesn't run any regular games! Some of the players haven't paid their game fee of \$2 (they know who they are), and I'd like to receive that with the Spring 1981 order, due March 12, 1980. (Starting the game in the next POLITICIAN wouldn't have allowed for enough S01 negotiation time.) The country assignments were done mostly by preference list, and where none was given, the luck of the draw. Get writing your letters right away. Anything goes in these games. If I am right, we'll start next column.

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Want it? I can't understand why some of you played the tournament
last year (but wait until Germany!),
but where you are, too. I wouldn't
have played the heavy down of New
York players. I happened to know
that all of them could just as soon
play each other on each other as
they would on someone else's listing.
In this tournament, I didn't even let
them know that I knew I have the
experience to back it up). So
play away. Like I said, anything
goes! Black Power is indeed per-
secuted, steals, letter forging
or whatever; everything goes with
no opposition, except one: cheat the
game master, and you lose every-
thing you have on file with me in
the way of money. In every case,
the decision of the game master is
F I N A L (but do point out any
GW errors, should they occur -- I
am not infallible, as is constantly
pointed out to me). And I even
have two potential standby players
for this game, should we ever need
them... but all in all, we have a
fine bunch of reliable players here.
Enough killing of space -- let's
move onto the last few lines.

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CHICAGO MASS MEETING

On February 10 I went down to Chicago to take part in the bloodletting going on down there, and have to say that I really did leave an impression! I'm going down again on March 9, 1980 to try to see if I can kill that impression I made by being a good ally in a game! I believe that this month the games will be at Andy Lischett's house, 3025 N. Davlin, Chicago, IL 60618. Among the players last time were Andy, Eric O-zog, Dwayne Shreve (our host), Bob O-such, Stan Cassella, Jack Frost, Ken Sniegowski, Dave Crockett, Scott Lawry and half a dozen others whose names I have already forgotten. I will, next issue, give the full details of why I will be tarred and feathered before the next game, but I can assure you all that, should you decide to go (and I will, and will possibly take Gerry Van Alkemade in tow when I do go down), don't expect a bunch of ministers and church-like behavior; definitely not. It's not that kind of a Mass Meeting. The last two were successful, even though I did start a bit towards the end, since we "forgot" to go out to eat, and I suggest that anyone in the Chicago area drop by and play a game.

In any case, my review, as I said above, will be next issue.

OTHER DOINGS IN EGGNOC-LAND

At this time I'm also running the independent orbitazines MOBY GRAPE and SWLABR. I am contemplating taking the few games which those two 'zines cover

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and throwing them into EGGNOC, despite the current space problems. In these cases the space covered is very little, as none of the games have generated press (except one) for several months, and all but one are about to end anyway. This move or the idea of it, is in the hope that I can get most of my eggs into as few brackets as possible as soon as possible. VANILLA FUDGE and POLITICIAN will continue running with nothing else instore for them, but it's the small 'zines which I'd like to kill. In any case, money's would be transferred to EGGNOC, and some of the players already get this, so the problems are only those of deadline scheduling to maneuver them into this 'zine.

NO GAME OPENINGS

Surprisingly I am still getting requests for game openings! At this time there are no game openings, and I don't think there will be until the end of the summer. Especially if the above about transferring some games I'm running elsewhere into this 'zine becomes reality. Space is such a rarity these days, especially because I like to ramble and babble endlessly about things just like this.

LOTS OF THINGS IN STORE FOR YOU

Next issue might be bigger than I wanted it to be (10 pp), since I still have a lot of stuff to run! Like the forgingletter article and a lot of miscellaneous plugging.